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MURDOCK'S IDEA BREAKS DEADLOCK

Kansas Suggested That Half of Postal Deposits Be Invested in Bonds of Small Denomination.

Washington, May 13.—While it is popular among the regulars in both houses to hammer the insurgents as the cause of the failure of legislation, it now seems settled that the postal savings depositories bill, that was a much vaunted administration measure will become a law through the adoption of an insurgent suggestion that broke the deadlock. The place where the house committee reached what seemed for a month to be the parting of the ways was the section that provided what should be done with postal savings money when it had once been deposited.

The committee would never consent to the senate proposition to place all the money in the banks in the neighborhood of the depositories. Finally Murdock, who proved to be the best friend the administration had on the committee proposed that half of the money be invested in small denomination bonds, \$24 bonds drawing 3 per cent interest and that depositories be furnished these bonds instead of certificates of deposit. Murdock talked the idea day and night to every congressman who would listen to him and particularly to the committee. A subcommittee took the idea to the president, who finally said it was a good thing. Now a subcommittee of the postoffice committee has been ordered to redraft the bill and make the Murdock proposition a feature of the measure, except that the rate of interest shall be only 2½ per cent.

A republican caucus will be held and the majority of the insurgents will urge immediate action and decide to support the bill if it is not too grossly disfigured by the caucus. Then it will be announced that Taft and the regulars have won a great victory by adopting a bill that is largely the idea of the senate insurgents and is made palatable to the regulars by an amendment proposed by Murdock. The ease with which the organization can get comfort, these troublesome times out of a small thing is worthy of admiration.

The small bond is sure to be a feature if the bill is to become a law. It offers the farm hand and the clerks in stores and offices if they have not money enough to go into the banks a chance to build up savings accounts and become holders of certificates of the national debt.

One of Murdock's strongest arguments in favor of the proposition is that when the smallest investors of the country, the people who have no chance to invest in larger things, become in a large measure holders of the national debt the result will be that the country will take a much greater interest in what is done by the national government and the result on legislation will insure to the public good. He contends that the man or woman who owns a half-dozen small government bonds, the result of savings in small amounts, will become at once a student of what congress is doing and why it is doing it and the effect will be to influence legislation in better lines and to stimulate patriotism at the same time.

Governor Sides With Miners.

Topeka, Kans., May 13.—Governor Stubbs, in a letter today to J. R. Crowe, a coal operator, urges a prompt settlement of the present strike of the miners in Kansas, by arbitration. The governor says he believes the demand of the men for an increase of wages "is fully justified on account of the large increase in the cost of living."

Maine Town Destroyed.

By Associated Press.
Livermore Falls, Me., May 13.—Fire today ruined the four story brick building, occupied by the town offices, postoffice, the Livermore Falls Trust company and several merchants. The loss is about a hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

SENATE BIGGINS VOTING ON SHORT HAUL AMENDMENTS

Washington, D. C., May 13.—Agreeing to the proposition made by Senator Elkins to begin voting on the long and short haul amendments to the railroad bill today at 4 o'clock, the senate yesterday took an advanced step in the consideration of the bill. The agreement provides that the voting shall be concluded within the "legislative day." This is an elastic arrangement and if voting should be prolonged there might be a delay until Saturday.

The first vote will be on the Dixon amendment as a substitute for the Heyburn provision. Both these provisions seek to stiffen the statute, but the Dixon substitute gives the interstate commerce commission more discretion than the other. If the Dixon amendment is defeated others will be offered.

The original republicans are confident of the defeat of all the amendments. Conceding that nineteen republican votes will be cast for the Dixon provision, they claim from twelve to fifteen democratic votes against it.

ATTORNEY CALLED DOWN BY LATSHAW

Brewster's Appeal to Jury For Dr. Hyde Is Made With Great Show of Feeling.

By Associated Press.

Kansas City, Mo., May 13.—Attorney Brewster, representing Dr. Hyde, began his address to the jury today. He pictured the home life of the accused physician. "The infliction of the death penalty," he said "means not only the death of the defendant but probable death to the wife of the accused man."

The special counsel for the state and foreign chemists were assailed. Brewster spoke with much feeling about the newspaper interviews given out by the state's attorneys before the trial started and he drew a reprimand from the court. "This case is not being tried on newspaper accounts," said Judge Latschaw. "Not only that but he is not speaking the truth," responded Attorney Reed. "Proceed," said the court.

Prosecutor Conkling followed Brewster and was still speaking at the noon recess.

ANDERSON'S PRELIMINARY HEARING THIS AFTERNOON

The preliminary hearing of the case of the state vs. Bert Anderson, charged with assault with intent to kill is being heard in Justice Meredith's court this afternoon. Anderson is the man who is charged with riding into the home of Emery Gordon at White Oak, Wednesday, and firing several shots at three women, including Mrs. Gordon.

There was no meeting of the Commercial Club last night. Not enough members for a quorum were present.

DOCTORS CLOSE ANNUAL CONVENTION AT TULSA

Muskogee is Selected for the Next Meeting in May, 1911--D. A. Myers, of Lawton is Chosen President--All Other Officers Elected--Heartily Indorse Senator Owen's Bill for Health Department--State Superintendent is Highly Honored.

Tulsa, Okla., May 13.—The eighteenth annual convention of the Oklahoma State Medical Association was brought to a close yesterday afternoon. The success that it attained has never been approached in the history of the organization and nothing but praise for its conduct can be given.

To the association itself the meeting meant all that every convention means. The thought that this meeting would move along in the even tenor of its way, as do all such conventions, was the opinion of the seven hundred visiting members, when they arrived in the city Tuesday, or Wednesday. That such was not the case was early impressed upon their minds and before its adjournment the guests could but say that this convention far outclassed those that had been held before.

To the Tulsa County Medical Society, which was host, the greatest credit is due. Anticipating the needs and desires to make this the best meeting of the association, the members of the Tulsa County Society outdid themselves in matters of preparation and detail. A clever surprise of some sort or other was sprung every now and then and these little acts made a decided hit with the visitors.

Thursday, the last day of the convention, was not as much taken up with meetings and entertainments as had been the previous days.

The house of delegates met in the morning at the Grand Opera House and the selection of the next convention city and election of officers for the ensuing year followed the reports of the past officers and committees.

The association increased its membership during the past year and during the week of the convention just closed until now it has a membership of eleven hundred. The finances were never in better shape.

Muskogee was chosen as the convention city of 1911. Enid, represented by a live delegation, was desirous of securing the honor of entertaining the convention but was unsuccessful in the canvass.

The election resulted in the naming of the following officers: D. A. Myers, Lawton, president; C. L. Reeder, Tulsa, first vice-president; H. M. Williams, Wellston, second vice-president; John L. Schuler, Durant, third vice-president; Claude A. Thompson, Muskogee, secretary; W. E. Wright, Tulsa, and Charles R. Hume, Anadarko, delegates to the convention of the American Medical Association at St. Louis in June.

Resolutions that have to do with what may mean much to the state and the nation were drawn up at the meeting and passed with the hearty approval of all those present. The first was the endorsement of Senator Owen's bill for the creation of a national department of health. The second was beseeching the state legislature to take measures seeing to the establishment of a state sanitarium for tuberculosis patients.

The meeting of the Oklahoma State Health Association yesterday brought its meeting to a close. The program as arranged was carried out.

Before the close of the meeting a clever surprise was tendered Dr. J. C. Mahr, state commissioner of health, when he was presented with a valuable diamond ring. The members of the health association took this means to show their esteem for their superior and in appreciation of his many acts in behalf of the welfare of the state and its people. The county superintendents adopted a resolution endorsing the work of the commissioner. Dr. Mahr was quite overcome by the appreciation shown him by his co-workers for the public welfare.

The election resulted in the naming of the following officers to serve another year: H. L. Wright, Hugo, president; C. L. Reeder, Tulsa, vice-president; and W. A. Logan, Leigh, secretary-treasurer.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Oklahoma State Medical Association held their final meeting yesterday morning. The prepared program was completed and a resolution prepared asking the state legislature to provide for the medical inspection of the schools. Resolutions were also passed thanking the ladies of the Tulsa branch of the auxiliary for their many kindnesses to the visiting ladies and for the success of the meeting. The following officers were elected: Mrs. W. G. Little, Okmulgee, president; Mrs. M. E. Babo, Norman, first vice-president; Mrs. H. L. Wright, Hugo, second vice-president; Mrs. P. H. Mayginn, Tulsa, recording secretary; W. M. Cott, Okmulgee, corresponding secretary; Mrs. J. F. Duckworth, Tahlequah, treasurer.

Late yesterday afternoon and last evening the hundreds of guests that have been in the city two and three days, left for their respective homes.

HOOK DECISION AFFECTS NORMAN PAVING CONTRACT

Guthrie, Okla., May 13.—Chas. L. Daugherty of the state department of labor, who has just returned to the capital from Norman, tells of a situation that exists in that city, which illustrates one of the effects of the recent Hook decision.

It appears from Mr. Daugherty's statement that a certain paving company having its offices in another state had recently taken a contract with the city of Norman to put in a lot of paving. In due time this work was inaugurated, and the company employed a large number of workmen. Under the law of the state any company employing laborers must pay the wage common to the community in which the work is being done. It was reported to Dr. Daugherty that this law was being violated; so he went to Norman forthwith to make an investigation.

At Norman, Mr. Daugherty found that the paving company had taken the contract before Judge Hook rendered his decision, and that they had figured their contract on the basis of the freight rates in operation at that time. They had figured on using a great quantity of asphaltum from Ardmore, the freight on which at that time was \$5.52 per ton. Immediately upon the rendering of the Hook decision the railroads advanced the rates on asphaltum to \$1.50 per ton, an increase of practically 200 per cent.

This increase compelled the paving company to cut their expense, so they reduced the wages of their employees from \$2.00 per day to \$1.35 per day. The officials of the company told Mr. Daugherty that they were perfectly willing to pay current prices for labor, but to do so in view of their heavy increase in freight rates would cause them to lose on their contract. Under the law however, they were compelled to restore the wages of employees to the former figure and to bear the loss themselves.

To Credit Amount Stolen.
By Associated Press.

Washington, D. C., May 13.—The house this afternoon took up the Bartholdt bill to credit the account of the treasurer of the United States with \$51,500, stolen from the sub-treasury at St. Louis in 1908. The prospect was that it's consideration would occupy most of the day.

Mrs. Belle Davis of Stroud is the guest of Mrs. J. H. Butler.

Incubator Baby Case at End.

By Associated Press.
Holton, Kans., May 13.—The evidence in the incubator baby kidnapping case was completed at noon today. The arguments are being made this afternoon and the case will probably go to the jury this evening.

COURT WILL RECONSIDER COLUMBIA BANK CASE

Guthrie, May 13.—The supreme court, reconsidering its previous refusal to consider the case because Bank Commissioner Young was to have resigned May 1, has granted an alternative writ of mandamus against the bank commissioner to exhibit the records of the Columbia Bank and Trust company of Oklahoma City, which failed last September, to the tune of more than \$3,000,000, to State Examiner and Inspector C. A. Taylor, and set a hearing on the writ for May 17.

The suit was first filed by Attorney General Charles J. West about April 25, but the supreme court refused to consider it on the grounds that Bank Commissioner Young had handed in his resignation to take effect May 1, and that he would be out of office before a decision could be handed down. The first of May came, with Mr. Young still holding on, and the attorney general renewed the application for a mandamus against the bank commissioner, and it is in response to the renewed motion that the alternative writ was issued.

WILL HAVE SCHOOL MONEY NEXT WEEK

Expect to Complete Transfer of Bonds in Few Days—New Board Meets to Organize.

The newly elected school board met at the Vinita National bank last night for the purpose of organizing for the coming year. Col. L. B. Bell was elected president of the board and T. H. Byrd was re-elected secretary. Owing to the great amount of work piling up on the secretary, for which he receives no pay, the board decided to allow him the services of a stenographer to assist in making transcripts, etc. This will greatly facilitate the offices of the secretary.

Before turning over the affairs of the city schools to the new board, the members of the former board waited until the bonds for a high school and ward school had been properly signed and ready to send to Guthrie for the certificate of approval of the attorney general. This work was completed yesterday afternoon and Davis Hill, former president of the board went to Guthrie today with the bonds.

As soon as the certificate of approval is attached the bonds will be expressed to the Commerce Trust company of Kansas City, with permission for Attorney Loomis, on behalf of the purchasers of the bonds, to examine the final abstracts in the case, and they will, with Mr. Loomis' approval, be turned over to the purchasers, and it is expected that the board will be in possession of the funds for the school buildings within a week.

The board has called a meeting for next Thursday night to settle upon the plans for the buildings and to draw the notices to contractors for bids. The board expects to rush the buildings as much as possible.

KANSAS LIQUOR LAWS BEFORE JUDGE POLLOCK

Kansas City, Mo., May 13.—Federal Judge John C. Pollock Thursday heard arguments in a case involving the constitutionality of that portion of the Kansas prohibitory law which provides liquor may not be sold even for medicinal or mechanical purposes. He took the case under advisement.

Samuel A. Harrison, a druggist of Kansas City, Kans., made application for an injunction restraining County Attorney Joseph Taggart from prosecuting him for selling liquors for medicinal and mechanical uses. He contends this feature of the Kansas law is in contravention of the constitution of the United States.

PITCHED BATTLE FEARED AT INOLA

Great Feeling And Excitement Over Murder of Roy Crutchfield—Expect Woman to be Arrested.

Inola, Okla., May 13.—A pitched battle is feared upon the streets here before the week ends as the result of the existing feeling and excitement resulting from the murder of Roy Crutchfield in the road a half mile from town on the night of April 29th. All citizens are carrying arms and trouble is threatened continually.

Two arrests for the murder have been made and the third is expected sometime today when the preliminary hearing opens at Claremore. The state believes that Crutchfield's murder was the work of a gang and that the crime was committed for the purpose of robbery.

The gang which has terrorized this part of the state for some time is about fifteen strong. Ed Mullen, said to be the leader is one of the men under arrest charged with the crime. A woman will be arrested at Claremore charged as an accomplice.

The state will attempt to prove that Crutchfield was lured to the spot of his death by a note in which the name of a sweetheart of his was forged by the band of robbers. The boy was known to have been paid \$100 for the rent of his farm after banking hours and it was known that he would carry the money home with him that night.

The state will attempt to prove that Crutchfield arriving at the spot where he expected to meet the girl was assassinated without warning, having been shot from behind. He was then robbed of his money.

Many threats are being made and many citizens have received letters warning them to leave town upon the penalty of death. A number are going and several of those remaining have been sworn in as deputies.

Roy Crutchfield, the murdered boy, was of a prominent Cherokee family and was 23 years of age. His sister was employed as a nurse in the Oklahoma Baptist hospital in Muskogee at the time of the murder. A year ago the boy's uncle was killed in the road at the same spot where his nephew fell.

IOWA SENATORS RETURN TO WASHINGTON PLEASED

Washington, May 13.—Senators Cummins and Dolliver, who spoke in Des Moines Tuesday night, defending their course in congress, attacking the tariff law and assailing the Aldrich-Cannon leadership, returned from Iowa yesterday. Both were in their places in the senate and were congratulated by their insurgent colleagues.

Senator Cummins was greatly pleased with his reception and that of Senator Dolliver in Des Moines. He said he had never addressed a political meeting of such size or enthusiasm in his life. He said the reports he had received indicated the nomination of Garst, the progressive candidate for governor, and the defeat for congress of Hull and Smith. He said Darrah, the progressive candidate, could be nominated in the Eighth district, which Colonel Hepburn formerly represented.

FEDERAL INVESTIGATION OF SINKING OF PACKET

By Associated Press.
St. Louis, Mo., May 13.—Orders for a federal investigation of the sinking of the river packet the "City of Saitillo," in which twelve lives were lost Wednesday night was issued today. The crew of the wrecked steamer will be brought here from Glen Park, for examination, soon as the time can be spared from aboard the wrecked packet.

Report of Explosion Killed.

By Associated Press.
Berlin, May 13.—Last night the report from Wilhelmshaven that a fatal explosion occurred while the mine laying division was maneuvering off the coast, was officially confirmed. Six bluejackets were killed and two others injured.

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